

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Seiji SAITO

Title: APPARATUS FOR PREDICTING INTERACTION SITE, METHOD OF  
PREDICTING INTERACTION SITE, PROGRAM AND RECORDING  
MEDIUM

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2007, Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group II, claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 11-16, for prosecution in the subject application.

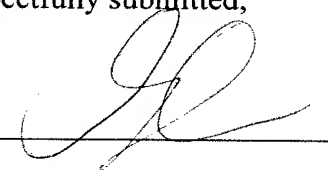
Applicant, of course, reserves the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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